

Appl. No. 10/758,788

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Response to Office Action of September 19, 2005

REMARKS:

In making the amendments shown above, care has been taken to ensure that the claims remain supported by the specification and that no new matter has been introduced.

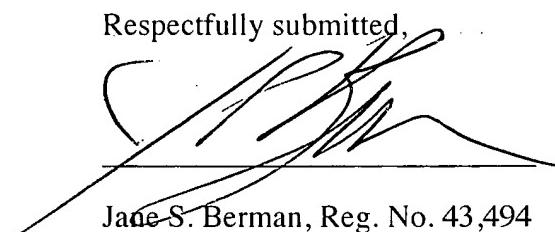
Amendments to Specification. The substitute specification includes amendments as required by the examiner in the Office action, to address the informalities noted by the examiner, in the nature of translation problems, grammatical defects, reference to contents of specific claims, and ambiguities. The abstract was amended to address these requirements and to reduce its length in accordance with the Rules.

Amendments to the Claims. All claims have been reviewed carefully, and in some instances amended to remove lack of clarity, incorrect grammar, or antecedent basis issues. It is respectfully submitted that the amendments address the claim objections and the Section 112, second paragraph rejections.

It is submitted that the invention is presented in clear and concise patentable terms and the application is in condition for allowance. Prompt, favorable treatment of the application is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees under 37 CFR § 1.17(a) for any necessary extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a), hereby requested, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0305. The Examiner is encouraged to call Robert J. Schneider at the direct number (312) 845-3919 with any questions that arise in connection with this application, or to resolve any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby certify that the attached correspondence, namely: Response to Office Action, with marked-up and clean versions of the substitute specification, return postcard, and this certificate of mailing, is being deposited on the date listed above, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8, with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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